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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was mostly steady, at times firm in the Midwest. Demand into retail and food service channels was slow to moderate at best. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to satisfy trade needs. Floor stocks were balanced to long. In the parts structure, demand was mostly fair for midweek trading. Wings were better balanced to available, breast items were at least adequate, and dark meat was readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading declined .50 cents to **79.50** cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 69.50 cents last year on October 18, 2006.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading:

	DOCK PRICE
ITEM	(CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	S 176.00
BREASTS - B/S	144.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	86.50
THIGH MEAT - B/S	112.50
LEG QUARTERS	44.00
WINGS	117.00

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

<u>SOUTHERN REGION</u> Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Retail demand was light to fair, best where features were active. Food service was fair to moderate with fast food promotions having best movement. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was mostly fair at best with supplies of all items adequate to readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly fair as dealers assess market conditions during midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes were generally sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was fair. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, the bulk of items were adequate to at least adequate for current trade needs.

MIDWEST REGION The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was in a full range; most of the trade noted a steady to firm trend. Producer offerings were light to moderate on very light trade inquiry; fill-in trade noted at 56 cents on 3 up wogs. Retail and food service movement was sluggish and noted as slow to moderate at best. Floor stocks adequate to ample; weights mixed. Parts trade was generally inactive; parts supplies fully adequate. The market tone was steady to barely steady on all parts.

WESTERN REGION The whole fryer market tone was generally steady. Demand into retail and distributive channels was slow to moderate. Floor stocks were balanced to instances long. Sizes were desirable to heavy. Parts supplies were adequate to available on wings and breasts items and adequate on the remainder. The trade sentiment was steady to barely steady on all parts.

BROILER -TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 3 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 13, 2007. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 3 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 13, 2007. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through October 13, 2007 were 7.23 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED TOTAL 19 SELECTED STATES

PERCENT CHANGE 6 PREVIOUS YEAR

WEEK ENDING 13/06/07 **2007 2006 PREVIOUS Y**EGGS SET 209,603 203,451 +03
CHICKS PLACED 173,342 167,994 +03

Source: NASS, USDA

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 24-Nov-07 is estimated at 157.7 million head. This compares to 157.1 million head the previous week and to 156.7 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 122.0 million head and the composite weighted average price was 66.26 cents per pound.

OCT 16

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

OCT 17

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

POUNDS WTD				POUNDS			WTD		
ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>(000)</u>	RANGE	MAJORITY	<u>AVG</u>
BREAST - B/S		110.00-189.00	-	128.04	BREAST - B/S	600	110.00-192.00	-	127.58
TENDERLOINS	196	105.00-145.00	-	115.00	TENDERLOINS	189	100.00-151.00	-	111.30
BREAST - LINE RUN	T	OO FEW TO R	EPORT		BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO R	EPORT	
FRONT HALVES	Т	OO FEW TO R	EPORT		FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO R	EPORT	
LEGS	126	49.00-61.00	52-54	52.27	LEGS	168	48.00-61.00	52-54	53.24
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	655	37.00-42.00	39-40	39.02	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	525	37.00-42.00	39-40	39.63
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	580	39.00-46.00	41-42	41.28	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	484	38.00-46.00	41-42	42.22
WINGS (WHOLE)	330	88.00-119.00	-	102.58	WINGS (WHOLE)	295	88.00-120.00	102-106	105.02
WINGS (CUT)	Т	OO FEW TO R	EPORT		WINGS (CUT)	105	109.00-125.00	-	119.67
DRUMSTICKS TOO FEW TO REPORT				DRUMSTICKS	٦	TOO FEW TO R	EPORT		
THIGHS TOO FEW TO REPORT				THIGHS	٦	TOO FEW TO R	EPORT		
B/S THIGHS	Т	OO FEW TO R	EPORT		B/S THIGHS	٦	TOO FEW TO R	EPORT	

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR F.O.B. DOCK

 RANGE
 TODAY'S AVERAGE
 RANGE
 TODAY'S AVERAGE
 5-DAY AVERAGE

 45.50 - 49.00
 47.14
 46.50 - 50.50
 48.65
 47.16

The index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

<u>NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS</u> - Trucklot buying interest was mostly fair for midweek trading. Supplies of breast items and tenders were at least sufficient for current needs. Wings were in better balance and still noted as adequate to fully adequate for current needs. Dark meats cuts were more than sufficient. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone remained generally steady for the bulk of items.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

OCT 16	CURRENT NEG	WTD		OCT 17	CURRENT NEG	WTD	
<u>ITEM</u>	TRADING*	<u>AVG</u>	VOL/LBS	<u>ITEM</u>	TRADING*	AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	130	129.30	700,691	BREAST - B/S	130	125.91	320,540
TENDERLOINS	120	121.33	138,020	TENDERLOINS	120	124.35	107,400
BREAST - WITH RIBS	73-74	79.58	103,360	BREAST - WITH RIBS	73-74	85.02	47,600
BREAST - LINE RUN	72	73.85	117,000	BREAST - LINE RUN	72	73.75	95,400
LEGS	59-60	64.05	86,840	LEGS	59-60	64.61	101,960
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)) 43-44	44.72	222,680	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	43-44	44.53	144,600
DRUMSTICKS	58-59	64.97	71,792	DRUMSTICKS	58-59	66.23	48,832
THIGHS	49-50	59.70	88,600	THIGHS	49-50	55.97	73,120
B/S THIGHS	111-112	113.02	76,760	B/S THIGHS	111-112	113.00	40,600
WINGS (WHOLE)	111-112	113.48	125,055	WINGS (WHOLE)	111-112	116.68	142,437
BACKS AND NECKS (ST	RIPPED) 10-12	11.35	34,920	BACKS AND NECKS (ST	RIPPED) 10-12	10.97	20,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS	S) 35-40	39.13	9,880	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS	35-40	36.36	12,080
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	67.61	37,320	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	67.27	20,240

INCLUDES NY CITY METRO. AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, & PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG). * TODAY'S NEG. SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M. ** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

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								AVG
	ESTIMATED		<u>ACTUAL</u>		AVG WTS		ACTUAL	WTS
	(1,000)		(1,000)				(1,000)	
	10/17	10/16	10/15	10/12	10/15	10/12	10/10	10/08
Alabama	4,059	4,247	4,170	4,165	5.72	5.56	4,083	5.55
Arkansas	5,431	5,343	5,186	5,165	5.64	5.27	5,464	5.56
Delmarva	2,189	2,277	2,293	2,158	5.96	5.85	2,191	5.90
KY-LA-TN	2,462	2,464	2,459	2,529	5.20	5.02	2,434	5.12
Mississippi	3,142	3,121	3,117	3,092	5.83	5.61	2,662	5.67
North Carolina	2,938	2,905	2,749	2,925	7.06	7.01	2,892	6.98
Texas	2,535	2,534	2,520	2,490	5.44	5.19	2,524	5.44
Total	22,756	22,891	22,494	22,524	5.82	5.61	22,250	5.73
Mon-Wed	68.360	(A)					66.088 (/	۹)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 17-Oct-07 is estimated to be 34,046,000 head up 1.97 percent from a week ago and up 5.04 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 33,388,000, last year 32,411,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DLVRD TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	94-100
ROASTERS 4# & UP	109-118
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	68-78
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DLVRD TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

		RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	126
	DRY PACK	110
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	140
	DRY PACK	108
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	109
	DRY PACK	105
DUCKS		199-204

Broiler/fryer

Light hens

Total

Heavy hens

<u>ESTIMATED U.</u>	<u>S. LIVE POULTRY SLA</u>	<u>UGHTER</u>
UNDER FEDERA	L INSPECTION FOR WEEK	ENDING 20-Oct-07
	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	10/20/07 (1)	10/13/07
Class	Tho	ousand head

10/20/07 (1) 10/13/07 ------ Thousand head -----169,495 (2) 170,628 1,197 1,045 1,534 1,594 172,226 173,267

(1)ESTIMATED
2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 20-Oct-07 is 166.7 million head compared to 167.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 169.8 million head or 3.1 million more than estimated available. For the week of 27-Oct-07 the estimated available is 166.3 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL. GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

PROCESS	ED TURKEY LBS	PROCESSED POULTRY LBS
AM 10/15/07	101,206	76,226
AM 10/01/07	107,745	66,944
CHG	-6,539	9,828
PCT CHG	-6	14

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCES	SED TUR	KEYS	PROCESSED POULTRY			
	10/16/07	10/08/07	10/16/06	10/16/07	10/08/07	10/16/06	
PACIFIC	;						
COAST	3,717	3,710	590	10,996	10,286	10,695	
LOS							
ANGELE	ES 198	198	237	1,303	1,083	2,558	

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS,U.S.GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5LBSAND UP, FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 8, 2007

RANGE

- TURKEY POULTS ea. -

HENS ICE PACKED(12 PER BOX) 73-81 VACUUM PACKED(6-9 PER BOX) 75-93

				ES ALL OUT OF STAT			
				LL GOT OF OTAL			AVG
				HEAVY FOWL ea.		3.50	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	2.15	2.40	2.27	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	1.00	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	4.50	-
BROILERS lb.	-		-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	4.75	5.25	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
				CHICKS ea.			-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	7.00	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	1.00	2.00	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	1.25	1.35	1.29	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	1.10	1.75	1.40	RABBITS ea.	3.00	3.25	-
				PIGEONS ea.			-
GUINEA FOWL Ib)	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea	a	5.00	-
DUCKLINGS lb.				DUCKLINGS ea.			-
GUINEA KEETS	ea	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.				GOSLINGS ea.	-		-

GUINEA PIGS ea. -CHUKARS ea. -TOTAL COOPS 262

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending October 12,2007

Wh Chi	-:-		egs N Thighs	lecks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens				
RAYON	I									
Low	65.85	159.39	88.09	16.78	8.39	75.50				
High	79.70	167.78	96.48	25.17	12.58	75.50				
Mostly	72.15	163.59	88.09	20.97	8.39	75.50				
SAN JU	SAN JUAN									
Low	65.02	163.59	83.89	20.97	8.39	75.50				
High	81.37	171.98	92.28	25.17	12.58	75.50				
Mostly	73.41	167.78	83.89	20.97	8.39	75.50				
NEW S	AN JUAN									
Low	70.05	159.39	88.09	20.97	8.39	77.60				
High	81.37	176.17	100.67	25.17	12.58	77.60				
Mostly	72.99	167.78	92.28	20.97	12.58	77.60				
BECERRA										
Low	71.31	163.59	96.48	20.97	8.39	83.89				
High	82.63	176.17	109.06	25.17	12.58	83.89				
Mostly	75.50	167.78	96.48	25.17	12.58	83.89				

<u>DELMARVA</u> Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to mostly fair for midweek business. Seller offerings were usually sufficient for immediate trade requirements. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 68 to 82 cents. Trade sentiment was reported as generally steady. In the parts complex, wings were available for current inquiry. The remainder of parts were adequate to fully adequate.

	U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	65-84
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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